

CIVILIAN COMPLAINT REVIEW BOARD

100 CHURCH STREET 10th FLOOR NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10007 ♦ TELEPHONE (212) 912-7235 www.nyc.gov/ccrb



BILL DE BLASIO MAYOR

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

November 5, 2019

MEDIA CONTACT

Ethan Teicher press@ccrb.nyc.gov 212-912-7210 917-224-0422

CCRB Chair Fred Davie Applauds Passage of Ballot Question 2

Slate of Proposals Will Make CCRB Operations More Efficient, Transparent

New York, NY – Today, Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) Chair Fred Davie released the following statement after New York City residents voted to implement the Charter changes grouped together under <u>Ballot Question 2</u>.

"New Yorkers looked at the facts and voted for greater police accountability in their city. This slate of reforms will make the CCRB more efficient, make discipline more transparent, and bolster public confidence in the integrity of the agency's process. I look forward to working with the Board, agency staff, and other city agencies to implement these reforms and strengthen civilian oversight of the NYPD."

Following the passage of these reforms, the City Charter will:

- 1. Provide the CCRB with a guaranteed minimum staff headcount as a ratio (0.65%) of the NYPD's uniformed officer headcount. (*Effective FY 2021*)
- 2. Allow the CCRB to investigate and recommend discipline when a subject officer provides a false official statement about an investigation while under said investigation. (Effective March 2020)
- 3. Allow the Board to delegate its subpoena power to the Executive Director, making the process of issuing subpoenas more efficient. (*Effective March 2020*)
- 4. Compel the Police Commissioner to provide a written explanation when he deviates from CCRB disciplinary recommendations. (*Effective immediately*)
- 5. Add two Board Members to the CCRB: one member appointed by the Public Advocate and one member jointly appointed by the Mayor and the Speaker of the City Council to serve as chair. The City Council will also have the power to appoint CCRB members,

rather than designees subject to Mayoral approval. (Effective March 2020; New members start July 2020)

###

The New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) is the largest police oversight entity in the nation and is empowered to investigate, mediate, prosecute, and recommend disciplinary action for complaints alleging misconduct by NYPD officers. See NYC Charter § 440(c)(1). The agency's jurisdiction includes excessive and unnecessary force, abuse of authority, discourtesy, and use of offensive language. To further this mission, CCRB issues monthly, biannual, and special statistical and qualitative reports analyzing trends and recurring issues arising from the many thousands of civilian complaints it receives each year.